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TO: Honorable Abel Herrero, Chair, House Committee On Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB688 by Márquez (Relating to the confidentiality of certain autopsy records.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 11, Article 49.25, Code of Criminal Procedure, to allow a governmental body to withhold photos and x-rays of a body during an autopsy without requesting ruling from the Attorney General's Office.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

The bill would likely reduce workload for counties that answer these types of public information requests; however, savings are not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General

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